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Responding to the arguments set forth in the reply brief dated 1/15/08: Dunne shows a single system that includes the laser, signal transducer, and the position sensor (figures 1-3). This lone system when connected shares a single housing when in use, the single housing being all of the exterior portion of the system. The housing is this exterior portion because this particular embodiment only works when the two pieces are connected as one and disconnecting them would result in this embodiment not functioning. Dunne does not teach the use of this system broken apart which would result in two separate housings, Dunne only teaches the two combined into a single housing thus reading on the claim.

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